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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4481
INFO ALL EC CAPITALS
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DEPT PASS STR (FOR HATHAWAY) ELECTRONICALLY

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ETRD, GATT, FR
SUBJ: COMMERCIAL COUNTERFEITING

REF: STATE 167575

1. ON JULY 7, THE FIRST AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY AFTER
RECEIPT OF REFTEL, EMBASSY MINECON RAISED THE COMMERCIAL

COUNTERFEITING QUESTION WITH DE MOREL AND PREVEL OF THE
EXTERNAL ECONOMIC DIRECTORATE, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
TRADE. THEY CONFIRMED THAT, AS FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER
DENIAU HAD RECENTLY MADE CLEAR TO AMBASSADOR STRAUSS,
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FRANCE IS VERY POSITIVE ON THE COUNTERFEITING QUESTION.
THEY DID NOT REACT IN DETAIL TO THE DRAFT LANGUAGE
EXCEPT TO NOTE THAT CAUTION IS NECESSARY ON SPECIFICS.
PREVEL SAID THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, ONE HAD TO BE CAREFUL
ABOUT THE DEFINITION OF COUNTERFEIT MERCHANDISE OR
COUNTERFEIT LABELS LEST THERE BE A RISK OF INADVERTENTLY
CREATING NON-TARIFF BARRIERS.

2. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTIONS, THEY CONFIRMED THEIR BELIEF THAT AN AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED IN PRINCIPLE AS PART OF THE OVERALL PACKAGE ON MTN THIS SUMMER. DETAILS WOULD HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED SUBSEQUENTLY, HOWEVER. INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, DE MOREL IN OUR PRESENCE TOLD PREVEL TO GET BUSY AND START THE NECESSARY COORDINATION WITH THOSE PARTS OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM.

3. FORMER AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER HAD SEEN PREVEL ON THE SAME SUBJECT PRIOR TO OUR MEETING. THE REACTION HE GOT WAS IN GENERALLY SIMILAR TERMS TO THAT GIVEN US. HARTMAN

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